Appl. No.: Arndt. Dated: Off. Act. Dated: 09/905,355 10/04/2005 08/19/2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments claims and the discussion presented herein.

- Allowance of Claims 1-11 and 15-20.
 The Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing Claims 1-11 and 15-20.
- 2. Rejection of Claims 21-51.

Claims 21-51 were rejected for the reasons set forth in the Office Action. In view of the allowance of Claims 1-11 and 15-20, the Applicant has canceled Claims 21-51. Therefore, the rejection is now moot.

The foregoing action has been taken in order to expedite issuance of the currently allowed claims. However, the Applicant does not acquiesce in the grounds for rejection of the canceled claims, and this action is being taken without any prejudice, waiver, or estoppel, and without forfeiture or dedication to the public, with respect to the canceled claims or the original subject matter of the claims as originally filed or in their form immediately preceding these amendments. The Applicant reserves the right to pursue the original scope of the claims in the future, such as through continuation practice.

3. Conclusion.

Based on the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued for the present application to pass to issuance.

Date:

Respectfully submitted.

John P. O'Banion, Reg. No. 33,201

O'BANION & RITCHEY LLP 400 Capitol Mall, Suite 1550

Sacramento, CA 95814

(916) 498-1010